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I object to the settlement terms without reading them as I have long believed the lawsuit is simply a witch hunt against Microsoft, which, like it or not, made it on the same rules of American capitalism available to its competitors. My boss, CT attorney general Richard Blumenthal, is a clear example of how far some politicians will go try to get publicity for themselves at Microsoft's expense. He has wasted millions of state dollars trying to set American commerce policy which should be set in Congress, not the courts. The fact is the state AGs who persist in suing cannot succeed in Congress. The whole case should have been thrown out. Implicitly, the settlement in unfair and unlawful toward Microsoft, which in no clear way violated the law from the start.

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